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(2) *Criteria for acceptable performance.* The criteria for acceptable performance are—

Analyte or test	Criteria for acceptable performance
ABO group .....	100% accuracy.
D (Rho) typing .....	100% accuracy.
Unexpected antibody detection .....	80% accuracy.
Compatibility testing .....	100% accuracy.
Antibody identification .....	80% accuracy.

(3) The criterion for acceptable performance for qualitative immunohematology tests is positive or negative.

(4) To determine the analyte testing event score, the number of acceptable analyte responses must be averaged using the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{Number of acceptable responses for the analyte} \times 100}{\text{Analyte score for the testing event}} = \text{Total number of challenges for the analyte}$$

(5) To determine the overall testing event score, the number of correct responses for all analytes must be averaged using the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{Number of acceptable responses for all challenges} \times 100}{\text{Testing event score}} = \text{Total number of all challenges}$$

**Subpart J—Patient Test Management for Moderate Complexity (Including the Subcategory), High Complexity, or Any Combination of These Tests**

SOURCE: 57 FR 7162, Feb. 28, 1992, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 493.1101 Condition: Patient test management; moderate complexity (including the subcategory), or high complexity testing, or any combination of these tests.**

Each laboratory performing moderate complexity (including the subcategory) or high complexity testing, or any combination of these tests, must employ and maintain a system that provides for proper patient preparation; proper specimen collection, identification, preservation, transpor-

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tation, and processing; and accurate result reporting. This system must assure optimum patient specimen integrity and positive identification throughout the preanalytic (pre-testing), analytic (testing), and postanalytic (post-testing) processes and must meet the standards as they apply to the testing performed.

[60 FR 20048, Apr. 24, 1995]

**§ 493.1103 Standard; Procedures for specimen submission and handling.**

(a) The laboratory must have available and follow written policies and procedures for each of the following, if applicable: Methods used for the preparation of patients; specimen collection; specimen labeling; specimen preservation; conditions for specimen transportation; and specimen processing. Such policies and procedures must assure positive identification and optimum integrity of the patient specimens from the time the specimen(s) are collected until testing has been completed and the results reported.

(b) If the laboratory accepts referral specimens, written instructions must be available to clients and must include, as appropriate, the information specified in paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) Oral explanation of instructions to patients for specimen collection, including patient preparation, may be used as a supplement to written instructions where applicable.

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**§ 493.1105 Standard; Test requisition.**

The laboratory must perform tests only at the written or electronic request of an authorized person. Oral requests for laboratory tests are permitted only if the laboratory subsequently requests written authorization for testing within 30 days. The laboratory must maintain the written authorization or documentation of efforts made to obtain a written authorization. Records of test requisitions or test authorizations must be retained for a minimum of two years. The patient's chart or medical record, if used as the test requisition, must be retained for a minimum of two years and